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SUBJ: US SEATING ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL
COMMITTEE OF WORLD FOOD PROGRAM, 28TH MEETING,
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1. SECRETARY OF IGC/WFP SESSION HAS AGREED TO MAKE SECOND SEAT AVAILABLE, IN EFFECT, TO US DELEGATION, DESPITE CRITICISM OF THIS IN PAST BY OTHER COUNTRIES.

2. WHEN US REPRESENTATIVE TO FAO REQUESTED TWO SEATS FOR US DELEGATION, SECRETARY OF SESSION AT FIRST REFUSED THEM, ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE BEEN PROVIDED IN PAST. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN SHARPLY CRITICIZED FOR THIS IN PAST SESSION, AND THAT USUAL UN AGENCY RULE WAS TO PROVIDE SAME NUMBER OF SEATS FOR EACH DELEGATION, WHICH IN THIS CASE WOULD MEAN ONE SEAT EACH FOR 24 DELEGATIONS. THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH PLACES AT HORSESHOE SHAPED TABLE FOR TWO SEATS EACH FOR 24 DELEGATIONS. US REPRESENTATION ARGUED THAT FEW OTHER DELEGATIONS HAD ENOUGH DELEGATES TO REQUIRE MORE THAN ONE SEAT, BUT THIS WAS OF NO AVAIL.

3. SECRETARY CALLED BACK FEW MINUTES LATER TO SAY THAT ON FURTHER CONSIDERATION HE WOULD BEAR PERSONAL CRITICISM, AND
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SET 30 SEATS, ONE EXTRA SEAT BEING NEXT TO SEAT MARKED FOR

US DELEGATION. VOLPE

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